

AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Air India already provides a twice weekly connection to west-bound flights out of Bombay with customs and immigration clearance at Ahmedabad.

Automatic Telephone Exchange in Midnapore, West Bengal

2013 SHRISATYAGOPAL MISRA. Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to set up an Automatic Telephone Exchanges with STD facilities at Dighe (famous tourist spot) and at Dhargram in Midnapore District, West Bengal,

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Electronic Exchange has already been set up at Dighe. STD facility would be extended to Dighe by second quarter of 1992.

Electronic exchange at Jhargram (not Dhargram) is planned to be set up by March, 1993, and STD facility will be provided during 1994

(c) Not applicable, Sir.

Irregularities in Allotment of Telephone from MPs Quota

2014. SHRI HARI KEWAL PRASAD: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether some Members of Parliament have written letters to him regarding irregularities committed in allotment of telephones from their personal quota;

(b) if so, the number of letters received in this regard during 1991;

(c) whether any investigation has been conducted in this regard,

(d) if so, the details thereof, and

(e) the details of the action taken against the persons found guilty?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU). (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Six complaints were received from M.Ps. during the period from July, 91 to December, 1991.

(c) and (d). Investigations have been assigned to the police in cases in which the concerned MPs alleged that their signatures had been forged. Some MPs also complained that telephones had been allotted to persons they did not know.

(e) The police authorities are entrusted with the investigations to take action against the persons found guilty.

Fishing Coconut Processing Industries in Lakshadweep

2015. SHRI P.M. SAYEED: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state

(a) whether it is proposed to set up new fish/coconut processing industries in Lakshadweep;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRIGIRIDHARGOMANGO):

(a) and (b). Lakshadweep Development Corporation has proposals for setting up projects for Desiccated Coconut Powder, Coconut Milk and Fish Meal at project costs of Rs. 33.98 lakhs, Rs. 135.94 lakhs and Rs. 78.95 lakhs respectively in Lakshadweep.

(c) Does not arise.

Re-Constitution of Central Water Commission

2016. SHRI GANGADHARA SANIPALLI: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to make any structural changes in the constitution/ composition of Central Water Commission; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI VIDYACHARAN SHUKLA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) It has been decided to effect regionalisation in the functioning and formations of Central Water Commission by having six regional offices at New Delhi, Patna, Hyderabad, Bangalore, Shillong and Vadodra. Further regionalisation is linked up with the cadre review of Central Water Engineering (Group A) Service which is under processing.

Expansion of Tourism

2017. SHRI MORESHWAR SAVE: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state the details of efforts

made to create better conditions and to expand tourism in the country during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRIMADHAVRAO SCINDIA): Development and expansion of tourism is an on-going process. However, efforts made to create better conditions and to expand tourism in the country during the last three years included strengthening/augmenting of tourism infrastructure, creating better awareness and launching of promotional & publicity campaigns both in India and in key markets overseas.

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Amount Sanctioned to REC

*2018. SHRI RAM TAHAL CHOUDHARY:
SHRI SRIKANTA JENA:

Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the amount sanctioned by the Rural Electrification Corporation to the various State Electricity Boards for rectifying the faults in the pump sets during the last and the current year, state-wise; and

(b) the number of new pump sets installed during the last two years and the target fixed for the next year, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) No amount was sanctioned by the Rural Electrification Corporation for rectification of pumpsets during 1990-91 and during the current year.

(b) A statement indicating the number of